

In the Claims

Please substitute the following claims for the currently pending claims:

1.(Amended) A method of communicating with a watched party over a multiple access network comprising:

providing said watched party with a contact identifier;

storing a plurality of contact addresses for said watched party in a common location which is accessible via said multiple access network;

receiving a request to contact said watched party, wherein said request includes said contact identifier;

determining that said watched party has access to said multiple access network via at least one device;

determining that said watched party is accessible by said at least one device based upon a set of watched party defined contact rules; and,

contacting said watched party via said at least one device if based upon said set of watched party defined contact rules said watched party is accessible via said at least one device.

4. (Amended) The method according to Claim 1 further comprising:

determining that said watched party is accessible via a plurality of devices;

contacting said watched party via at least one of said plurality of devices based upon said set of watched party defined contact rules.

12. (Amended) The method according to Claim 1 further comprising:

controlling access to said determination that said watched party has access to said multiple access network via said at least one device based upon said watched party defined contact rules.

13. (Amended) A system for communicating with a watched party over a multiple access network comprising:

a processor coupled to said multiple access network;

wherein said processor is configured to store contact information for contacting said watched party via a plurality of access networks;

at least one watched party defined contact rule stored in said processor;

a plurality of gateways coupled between said processor and said plurality of access networks;

wherein said plurality of gateways are configured to provide said processor with information pertaining to a presence of said watched party on said plurality of access networks; and,

wherein said processor is configured to provide a watching party with at least a subset of said contact information based upon said at least one watched party defined contact rule.

21. (Amended) The system according to Claim 13 wherein said processor is configured to limit access to a watching party to at least one set of contact information based upon said at least one watched party defined contact rule.

22. (Amended) A system for communicating with a watched party over a multiple access network comprising:

processor means coupled to said multiple access network, for storing contact information for contacting said watched party via a plurality of access networks;

at least one watched party defined contact rule stored in said processor means;

gateway means coupled between said processor means and said plurality of access networks for providing said processor with information pertaining to a presence of said watched party on said plurality of access networks; and,

wherein said processor means is further configured to provide a watching party with at least a subset of said contact information based upon said at least one watched party defined contact rule.

23. (Amended) The system according to Claim 22 further comprising:

a plurality of watched party defined contact rules stored in said processor means.

30. (Amended) The system according to Claim 22 wherein said processor means is configured to limit access to a watching party to at least one set of contact information based upon said at least one watched party defined contact rule.

Please add the following claims:

31.(new) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

prior to contacting said watched party, automatically determining a location of said watched party.

32. (new) The method of claim 31, wherein the location of said watched party is automatically determined based at least in part on recent use of said at least one device.

33. (new) The method of claim 31, wherein the location of said watched party is automatically determined based at least in part on the location of a mobile phone associated with the watched party.

34. (new) The method of claim 32, wherein at least one of said plurality of contact addresses is associated with said at least one device.

35. (new) The method of claim 34, further comprising the step of selecting one of said contact addresses based at least in part on said set of watched party defined contact rules.

36. (new) The method of claim 35, further comprising the step of selecting a contact address associated with a device, that is not at the automatically determined location of the watched party.

37. (new) The method of claim 35, further comprising the step of selecting a contact address associated with a device that is at the automatically determined location of the watched party.

38.(new) The method of claim 1, further comprising prior to contacting said watched party, determining a location of said watched party based on a plurality of sources.

39. (new) The method of claim 38, wherein the plurality of sources comprises the at least one device that said watched party uses to access said multiple access network.

40.(new) The method of claim 39, further comprising  
prior to contacting said watched party, accessing a stored information about said watched  
party in the at least one device.

41.(new) The method of claim 40, further comprising  
prior to contacting said watched party, determining the location of said watched party  
based on the stored information in the at least one device.

42.(new) The method of claim 1, further comprising  
prior to contacting said watched party, accessing a location information of said watched  
party in the watched party defined contact rules.

43. (new) The method of claim 42, further comprising  
prior to contacting said watched party, determining a location of said watched party based  
on the location information found in the watched party defined contact rules.